

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) 5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile.

Claims 2-7 (canceled)

8. (New) A fragrance composition or perfumed article comprising 5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile.

9. (New) The fragrance composition or perfumed article according to Claim 8, comprising a sufficient amount of 5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile for at least one of modifying or intensifying the fragrance composition in an iris direction.

10. (New) A fragrance composition according to claim 8 wherein the 5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile is present in the composition in an effective amount from the sensory standpoint.

11. (New) A method for preparing a fragrance composition having an iris note, the method having the steps of:

mixing 5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile with a fragrance composition, the 5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile being used in a sufficient amount for at least one of modifying or intensifying the odour of the fragrance composition in an iris direction.

12. (New) A bleaching agent composition comprising:

a bleaching agent;

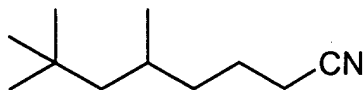
5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile; and

optionally at least one additive,

wherein the 5,7,7-trimethyloctanenitrile is present in a sufficient amount for at least one of modifying or intensifying the odour of the bleaching agent composition in the iris direction.

13. (New) Bleaching agent composition according to Claim 12 wherein the bleaching agent comprises at least one of chlorine or hypochlorite.

14. (New) A compound according to formula:



15. (New) The compound of claim 14, wherein the compound is prepared by the following reactions:

